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1. AUGUST 6 MARKED CLOSING DATE "PHOTOGRAPHY USA" SEMINAR ON "AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPY". FORMAL PAPERS DELIVERED AUGUST 3-5 BY U.S. PARTICIPANTS ZWICK, POLI AND ALLARD AS WELL AS BY FOUR SOVIET PARTICIPANTS. APPROXIMATELY SIXTY GUESTS INVITED FROM KIEV PROFESSINAL RANKS ATTENDED EACH FOUR HOUR SESSION.

2. ON AUGUST 6, APPROXIMATELY TWENTY PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHERS VIEWED SLIDE PRESENTATIONS AND DEMONSTRATIONS ON STUDIO AND LABORATORY TECHNIQUES IN EXHIBIT PAVILION. LAB WORK INCLUDED DEMONSTRATION OF NEW EKTAMATIC STABILIZING PROCESS.

3. ORGANIZATION OF SEMINAR SUFFERED FROM INITIAL LACK OF ENTHUSIASM ON PART OF KIEV CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. HOWEVER, ONCE UNDERWAY SEMINAR ENCOUNTERED NO SERIOUS PROBLEMS. TRANSLATORS PERFORMED ADEQUATELY DESPITE SHORT LEAD TIME TO WORK WITH VERY TECHNICAL AND OFTEN LENGTHY TEXTS.

4. SOVIET AUDIENCE RECEIVED U.S. PARTICIPANTS WITH EAGER INTEREST AND INFORMAL DISCUSSION PERIODS GREW LONGER AS SEMINAR PROGRESSED.

5. ALTHOUGH SOVIET TECHNICAL INPUT INTO SEMINAR MINIMAL, PARTICIPANTS GAVE GOOD OVERFIEW OF CURRENT AMATEUR ACTIVITIES IN
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U.S.S.R. AND SOVIET PHILOSOPHY TOWARD PHOTOGRAPY AS AN ART FORM

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